

notwithstanding—without his being aware of the fact.

But here comes a question of veracity. Is William Green really to be believed on this subject? There are some matters to be verified first. We suggest that in order to establish this point beyond a reasonable doubt, that Mr. Green be waited upon by a committee of prominent "Liberals" whose duty should be to ascertain whether his hair is short or streaming, the color of his eyes, gray being the doubtful hue, and if they are dull, because should they have a tendency to glitter, this quality will be fatal to his sworn statement.

Seeing that the Green-Wardell murder was the only blood atonement incident the active politicians of the "Liberal" party could concoct, the investigation should be conducted forthwith, as the making of much political capital depends upon proving the Latter-day Saints to be a blood-atonement people.

A CURIOUS RELIC.

ABOUT three or four months ago a remarkable coin, medal or memorial of some sort was discovered in Logan, a description of which has not, we believe, yet been published. In July or August of this year Mr. Victor Crockett was plowing up a portion of his city lot, situated in the Second Ward of Logan, when he noticed a peculiar object, brought to view by the plowshare, which attracted his further attention. He picked it up and, on further examination, found it had the appearance of a corroded coin.

Mr. Crockett handed the article to his wife to be cleaned, but after she had spent some hours in the attempt to do so, using salt, vinegar, polish, etc., it became necessary to try a stronger agent, and nitric acid was used. When thoroughly cleaned the object was found to be a coin or medal, about the size of a silver dollar, and about half as thick. On one side it was thickly covered with hieroglyphics, engraved with great skill. On the other side was a row of hieroglyphics around the outer edge of the circle, within which was an All-seeing Eye, and a spray of roses, containing three or four flowers. In the centre of one of the roses was a human face, but so small as to be discerned with difficulty by the naked eye.

The hieroglyphics, the All-seeing Eye, the flowers, and especially the human face, were engraved with a

skill, beauty and nicety rarely equalled in modern times. A local jeweller declared that the work was done by hand, and that the human face, its diminutive size considered, could not be reproduced by the most skillful engravers of the present day.

A small piece of the coin or medal was chipped off and assayed, when it was found to consist of 60 per cent gold and 40 per cent copper. It was extremely hard, and local experts expressed the opinion that the copper was of a more refined character than any known to modern commerce, and had been subjected to a hardening process not understood now. The relic, when dropped upon a hard surface, emits a sharp, clear, ringing sound. The piece of ground in which this curious object was discovered had lain till then in its primeval condition, never having been plowed, nor otherwise disturbed by the implements of husbandry, since the present settlement was made.

The gentleman who found it, and who is a believer in the divine authenticity of the Book of Mormon, became convinced that he had discovered a relic of ancient Nephite civilization; and in order to test this theory he, and some friends who became interested, compared the characters upon the coin or medal with the hieroglyphics contained in Elder George Reynold's work entitled "The Story of the Book of Mormon;" and also with the fac simile of some metal plates discovered in an ancient mound in the United States, which is given in the volume entitled "O. Pratt's Works." The result was that fifteen different characters found upon the coin or medal were also found in Elder Reynolds' book or on the plates reproduced in Elder Pratt's works.

From the number of characters which appear on the relic it is surmised that considerable information would be obtained by a correct translation of them; and we understand that attempts will be made to have a translation given at some of the eastern seats of this kind of learning. It is surmised that the relic may be a piece of money; but the fineness of the workmanship upon it, the superior hand-engraving which it displays, and especially the profuse record of hieroglyphics which it bears, make it improbable that it was used as a circulating commercial medium. More probably it was designed as a memorial of some kind.

The presence of the All-seeing

Eye upon the relic indicates that it was made by a people who had some knowledge of an Omniscient Deity; and tends to prove that, in ancient times, there dwelt in America a people who believed in the true God. Thus this little relic, discovered by accident, bears evidence confirmatory of the Book of Mormon. This can be said without a translation of the hieroglyphics; but if this could be had, doubtless the evidence in support of that record would be much more striking and explicit.

EXCEEDINGLY ONE-SIDED.

THERE is a suggestive feature connected with the recent proceedings in the Third District Court, Judge Anderson presiding, in the investigation arising out of the application of John Moore for naturalization.

The solitary case introduced by the "Liberal" whips to prove that the "Mormons" should not be admitted to citizenship because it is falsely claimed that their religion involves the death penalty upon apostates, or those who disobey the Priesthood, was completely smashed—annihilated. The murdered man still lives, breathes, moves and has a being. But even before he was discovered, as a resident of Spanish Fork, the testimony showing that the "Mormon" murder manufactured by Martin Wardell was a myth was so overwhelming that Judge Anderson, in the course of the proceedings, informed the defense that it was unnecessary to introduce any more testimony on the point, the assassination having been disproved.

Now, the fact that Martin Wardell's testimony, so far as it related to the only murder case the "Liberals" were able to rake up to make a point on the blood atonement fabrication, was wickedly and infamously false is notorious. The evidence of his perjury was admitted by the judge when he stated that the story had been disproved and therefore no more testimony was needed on the point. Notwithstanding these indisputable facts, so far as we are aware, not a single step has been taken toward the prosecution of the unscrupulous tool who coined an infernal falsehood to fasten odium and bring oppression upon a whole community.

Either the story of Wardell was the product of depraved spitefulness, or the plea of insanity would hold in his case. But even should it transpire on investigation that the poor wretch is of unsound mind,